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SUBJ: SMUGGLING OF HEROIN BY CREWMEMBERS OF

U. S. S. KING (DLG-10)

BEGIN SUMMARY. CI ON U. S. S. KING SURRENDERED FOUR BAGS
OF HEROIN (APPROX ONE OUNCE) PURCHASED BY CREWMEMBERS
WHILE IN HONG KONG . CI DESCRIBED DEALERS AND SALES PLACE.
VESSEL SCHEDULED TO SAIL TO U. S. WITH FIRST PORT OF CALL
AT HONOLULU. END SUMMARY.

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1. FOR YOUR INFORMATION N. I. S. O. YOKOSUKA ADVISES CAPTAIN OF U. S. S. KING TURNED OVER FOUR HEAT SEALED PLASTIC BAGS CONTAINING APPROX ONE OUNCE HONG KONG RED ROCK HEROIN. HEROIN SURRENDERED TO CAPTAIN BY CREWMEMBER CI AFTER CI AND SEVERAL USERS BECAME ILL. CI STATED RUMOR ON BOARD VESSEL THAT ONE CREWMEMBER STILL HAD VERY SMALL QUANTITY, HOWEVER, THOROUGH SEARCH WAS NEGATIVE AND BELIEVE NO ADDITIONAL HEROIN NOW ON BOARD.

2. VESSEL WAS IN HONG KONG MARCH 9 TO 17. CI STATES CREWMEMBER PURCHASERS WERE WALKING IN EVENING IN WANCHAI AREA NEAR PLACE NAMED BACKDOOR BAR. NEAR CORNER OLD CHINESE MALE RICKSHAW DRIVER, BALD, WITH GRAVEL VOICE SAID, QUOTE: DO YOU WANT TO SCORE? UNQUOTE. SUBJECT TOOK THEM TO AN AREA WHERE THERE IS CONCRETE BASKETBALL/ SOCCER COURT (SUPPOSEDLY A HONG KONG LANDMARK). WALKED WITH WATER ON LEFT, ONE BLOCK PAST BASKETBALL COURT AND TURNED LEFT ON CORNER WHERE APPLIANCE STORE AND SIDEWALK RESTAURANTS ARE LOCATED. CONTINUED ON THAT BLOCK PAST FOUR OR FIVE DOORS TO BUILDING BEARING NO. 46 AND WENT UP TWO OR THREE FLIGHTS OF STAIRS. STOPPED AT METAL APARTMENT DOOR WITH PEEPHOLE.

3. SUBJECT KNOCKED ON DOOR WHICH WAS OPENED BY CHINESE MALE AND FEMALE IN LATE 30' S OR EARLY 40' S. SUBJECT SPOKE TO OCCUPANTS IN CHINESE AND DEPARTED. CREWMEMBERS ENTERED APARTMENT WHICH HAD SMALL LIVING ROOM WITH END TABLE, COFFEE TABLE, TWO CHAIRS AND T. V. OCCUPANTS OFFERED HEROIN LACED CIGARETTES WHICH WERE SMOKED THERE. CHINESE FEMALE SHOWED CREWMEMBERS PHOTOGRAPHS OF HERSELF WHICH SHE SAID SHOWED HER INJECTING HEROIN INTO ARMS OF U. S. SAILORS AND MARINES.

4. NEGOTIATIONS THEN CONDUCTED FOR PURCHASE OF HEROIN AND CREWMEMBERS AGREED TO BUY THREE PLASTIC BAGS FOR TOTAL PRICE U. S. \$1 80.00. CHINESE MALE LEFT. AFTER FEW MINUTES CHINESE FEMALE TOLD CREWMEMBERS TO LEAVE AND RETURN IN ONE HOUR. CREWMEMBERS COMPLIED AND UPON RETURN PAID \$180.00 FOR THREE BAGS, AND RETURNED TO SHIP AND SMOKED HEROIN.

5. ABOUT TWO DAYS LATER IN EVENING CREWMEMBERS RETURNED TO ORIGINAL MEETING PLACE NEAR BACKDOOR BAR (WITHOUT APPOINTMENT) AND OBSERVED SAME RICKSHAW DRIVER. THEY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PROCEEDED THROUGH SAME M. O. AND PURCHASED ADDITIONAL THREE

BAGS FOR SAME PRICE. CHINESE FEMALE STATED HEROIN WAS 70 PERCENT PURE; OFFERED TO SELL MARIJUANA AT U. S. \$100.00 PER ONE- HALF POUND; AND STATED SHE COULD ALSO MAIL HEROIN TO THEM, AT WHICH TIME SHE DISPLAYED THREE SEALED U. S. AIRMAIL ENVELOPES WHICH SHE SAID CONTAINED HEROIN SHE WAS MAILING. CI OBSERVED SOME ENGLISH WRITING ON ENVELOPES, DETAILS UNKNOWN.

6. CI IS CAUCASIAN WHO STATES HE ALSO VISITED BAR NAMED SCENE IN KOWLOON WHICH CATERS TO AMERICAN NEGRO SERVICEMEN; THAT NEGROES IN BAR WERE HIGH ON HEROIN; AND THAT BAR GIRLS WERE SELLING PAPERS OF HEROIN FOR U. S. \$6.00 OR \$7.00 EACH.

7. CAPTAIN OF VESSEL UNWILLING TO DISCLOSE IDENTITY OF CI FOR FEAR CI' S SAFETY WILL BE ENDANGERED. CI AND CAPTAIN DO NOT BELIEVE ANY ADDITIONAL HEROIN ON BOARD, BU CAPTAIN WILL GIVE VESSEL THOROUGH SEARCH PRIOR ARRIVAL HONOLULU. CAPTAIN WISHES TO AVOID DELAY IN HONOLULU. THIS OFFICE ADVISED CAPTAIN THROUGH N. I. S. O. TO MAKE FULL REPORT ON DETAILS AND RESULTS OF VESSEL SEARCH TO CUSTOMS UPON ARRIVAL HONOLULU. VESSEL DEPARTED YOKOSUKA ON APRIL 6. ETA HONOLULU UNKNOWN.

8. REPORT TO FOLLOW.

9. DECON UPON RECEIPT BY CUSTOMS ADDEES ONLY.
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